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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
HULLENDER et al.

Group Art Unit: 2723

Serial No. 09/528,889

Examiner: MILLER, M.

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For: METHOD AND MECHANISM TO
REDUCE HANDWRITING
RECOGNIZER ERRORS/USING
MULTIPLE DECISION TREES

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This communication is a response to the Office action dated November 23, 2001.

Please consider the following amendments and appended remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 7, 13 and 18 as follows (*a marked up copy of the claims amended herein, showing the additions and deletions thereto, is attached as Appendix A*):

1. (Twice Amended) A method of recognizing chirographs input into a computer system, comprising:

providing a primary recognizer for converting chirographs to shape indexes, the primary recognizer providing output including a shape index when a chirograph is input thereto;